

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

Career and Technology Education Directors

County Board Directors

FROM: Melissa A. Myers, Audits Manager

Office of Auditing Services

DATE: October 29, 2015

RE: Annual Audit Report Submission

In accordance with Section 59-17-100 of the S.C. Code of Laws, the required due date for submission of your annual single audit report is **December 1**. Since this law is mandated by the General Assembly, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has no authority to grant an extension of the audit submission date for any circumstances. Timely submission of the annual audit report is also a factor in the SCDE's risk assessment of local education agencies (LEAs) which is used to make federal grant award decisions. Additionally, late submission of the annual audit report can negatively affect the LEA's accreditation. Transmittal of the audit report package is the responsibility of the school district.

Audited information must be submitted through the SCDE's LEA Audit Reporting System (LARS). An account must be established within the SCDE's member center to access the system. An instructional video on accessing and submitting the required documents can be found on the SCDE's <u>website</u>. Please note that if you have already established an account, your password may have expired and you will need to reset the password prior to uploading data this year.

The following documents must be uploaded into LARS:

1. The SCDE supplemental schedules for each fund type in .xlxs format. A copy of the Excel template can be found on our website. Do not delete rows or columns from the template. If there is no activity in an account, please list \$0. If any errors or warnings are found after the template has been uploaded, all errors must be cleared and all warnings must be accepted before the submission will be accepted. If your template includes data for one of your sponsored public charter schools, please be sure to

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select the "Both" option and select which public charter schools have been included in the schedules. If you have not blended any of your charter school data, please select "LEA" only.

- 2. Full audit report, including the SCDE supplemental schedules, summary schedule of prior year audit findings, corrective action plan, and management letter, as one document in .pdf format.
- 3. OMB Data Collection Form in .pdf format.

In addition to uploading the above documents, you must also enter data from the supportive information sheet into the supportive information tab. We are including a copy of the form for informational purposes only. Submit the supportive information data ONLY through LARS.

The SCDE Office of Auditing Services publishes its <u>Annual Audit Guide</u> that lists both state and federal audit requirements for the required annual audit.

Also, you are reminded that you must electronically submit the completed data collection form and reporting package, as described in Section 200.512 of the Uniform Administrative Regulations, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards by accessing the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. Please share these submission requirements with your independent auditor. If you have any questions concerning the audit process, OMB requirements, or the Supportive Information Sheet, please contact me at (803) 734-8453 or mmyers@ed.sc.gov.

Additionally, the district's <u>balanced</u> general ledger file or IN\$ITE.db file must be submitted by email to Chief Financial Officer Mellanie Jinnette at <u>mjinnett@ed.sc.gov</u>. If you have any questions related to IN\$ITETM activities, the general ledger, or the IN\$ITETM data file submission, please contact Ms. Jinnette at (803) 734-3605.

MAM/dlw Enclosure

cc: Nancy W. Williams, CPA, Director, Office of Auditing Services Mellanie Jinnette, Chief Financial Officer School Business Officials

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015

	AVC/County/District Name		County/District ID
[1]	ASSESSED VALUATION AND MIL Value of all taxable property within t	S LEVIED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2014 sis school district \$	
		Current Operations	Debt Service
	Total Mills Levied for K-12 Education	n:	
	Of the total mills levied listed above, specify how many mills (if any) were levied for the County Board of Education and/or for special purposes.		
	Mills Levied for:	Current Operations	Debt Service
	County Board		
	Area Vocational Center County-Wide		
	Special Purposes		
[2]	NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) TEACHERS FUNDED THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND:		
	For EFA audit purposes, each district Schedule, etc.) to support the FTE CEXPRESS FTES IN HUNDREDTHS	t must maintain the appropriate documentation (pa ounts calculated. IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING (Example: 12.07).	yroll, Master Teacher AREAS, PLEASE
	1. Kindergarten	9. Visually Handicapped	
	2. Primary	10. Hearing Handicapped	
		12. Learning Disabilities	
	5. Vocational	13. Emotionally Handicapp	ed
	Train. Ment. Handicapped	14. Autism *15. Homebound	
		TOTAL	
	*To determine the FTE teacher count for Homebound teachers, divide the total number of hours of Homebound instruction provided by 900.		
	Hourly Pay Rate for Homebound	nstruction	
[3]	INDIRECT COST INFORMATION (For unrestricted rates):		
	Buildings & Improvements	Acquisition Cost Use Percentage (2%)	Use Allowance
	(Cumulative costs for all years)	X .02	=
	Usable Equipment		
	(Include all items on inventory not fully depreciated as of	Depreciation Acquisition Cost Percentage (6 2/3%)	Allowable Depreciation
	current year)	X .066	=
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	Name of Respondent Completing This	Form -	
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